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To: Senator Caddano, Representative Julia, and members of the GAE

From: Dotti Dori
Tom Dunkerton
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RE H.B. No. 6950

Thank you for the opportunity to write to you concerning recent legislation regarding elections in the state of Connecticut. We all agree that elections are an essential part of the electoral process and should be run fairly and efficiently. How this is done should be open to discussion.

We appreciate your sponsorship of H.B. 6950 and taking into account the recommendations made by ROVAC Legislative Committee chair, Sue Larsen

The voter's intent should always be of utmost importance. Clarification of the handling of cross-endorsed candidates ensures that the true intent of the voter is recorded.

Election Day is always a long one for Registrars. Technology can and should be used to make election night reporting more accurate and more efficient. While it is important to get the results out quickly, it is also important to have time to review results before filing a final report.

Technology has also improved the voter registration process. Voter Registration is now available virtually 24 hours a day thanks to on-line registration. Potential voters now have a choice of registration media, in person, by mail and on-line. It is time to realize that the need for mandated registration sessions has been reduced.

We believe every Registrar in the state takes his or her job seriously. There are many facets of the job from knowledge of the Statutes to knowledge of list management to voter service. We believe that a certification process would insure good training and well-prepared Registrars of Voters.